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ARMED ROBBERY SUSPECT NORTH 9TH AVENUE AND WEST LEE STREET

*****UPDATE – FEBRUARY 6, 2013*****

On February 6, 2013, at about 2:00 a.m., officers located 37-year old Michael Pitts near the intersection of North 10th Avenue and West Adams Street. He was taken into custody without incident. He was booked into the Pima County Jail for his felony warrant regarding the armed robbery that occurred on January 19, 2013.



Michael Pitts

Sergeant Chris Widmer – February 6, 2013

On January 19, 2013 at 9:16 p.m., officers from Operations Division West responded to a report of a highway robbery that occurred at 9th Avenue and Lee Street. Upon arrival, officers made contact with a male taxi cab driver that reported a subject had just robbed him at knifepoint and ran away on foot. The victim was not injured during the incident. Officers conducted a search for the male but he was not located.

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Night Detectives responded to continue the investigation. They learned that the suspect flagged the cab driver down near the 200 block of North 4th Avenue and asked for a ride to 9th Avenue and Lee Street. Upon arrival at that intersection, the subject put a knife to the cab drivers ribs and demanded money. He was given an undisclosed amount of cash and ran westbound through a nearby alley.

Robbery Detectives followed up on the information and have identified 37-year old Michael Pitts as the suspect involved in this incident. A Felony Warrant for one count of Armed Robbery exists for Mr. Pitts. Detectives are looking into the possibility of Mr. Pitts being involved in several other highway and business robberies in the Tucson area. He is described as an African American Male, 5'08" tall, 180 pounds, with brown eyes, a goatee and tattoos on both arms. A photograph of Mr. Pitts is included below. Anyone with information on his whereabouts is urged to call 911 or 88-CRIME.



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